TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

BUSINESS. Yesterday's bank clearings were \$8,271, 948: halances \$2 231 474. Local discount rates were between 5 and 6 per cent. Domestic exchange was quoted as follows: New York, 25c premium bid, 35c premium asked; Chicago, 30c premium bid, 25c premium asked; Cincinnati, Louisville and New Or-

leans, 25c discount bid, par asked. Wheat closed lower at 94%c bid May; \$1.06@1.07 No. 2 red. Corn closed higher at vote their services to succoring the 45% bid May; 45@45% No. 2 mixed. Oats closed at 40%c May; 42@42%c No. 2 mixed. Spot cotton was unchanged in the local

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN. The primary registration books closed yesterday with 62,536 names on the primary books, and of a total of 125,000 on the regular registration books,

Mrs. Nellie Grant Sartoris and her daughter, Miss Rosemary, were able to be out for the first time in six weeks, Final action on the bill for the improvement of Lindell boulevard has been de-

ferred until the Council meeting Tuesday Committees were appointed to arrange for the National Convention of the Wholesale Saddlery Association here in

World's Fair workmen were forced to widen a door in order to install furniture from the Prince of Wales's yacht. Furniture valued at \$50,000 arrived on a

special train and will be installed in the Jefferson Hotel. Mrs. Victoria Dean of No. 2007 Carr

street sustained severe injuries by being thrown from the platform of a street car which jumped the track. The parishes promise a fine showing in

St. Patrick's Day Parade. Chairman Rothwell has issued a formal call for the three Democratic State conventions to be held this year.

GENERAL DOMESTIC. The Standard Oil Company is said to have in contemplation the erection of a \$10,000,000 oil refining plant at Kansas City to care for the Kansas product.

The first cargo of Texas refined oil is shipped from Fort Arthur to New York. Texas Daughters of the Confederacy start a movement to preserve the Alamo at San Antonio.

David B. Hill defeats Charles F. Murphy in the New York committee meeting. Senator McCarren shows strong leaning toward Judge Parker and is punished by Murphy by being deprived of all patron

Governor Odell abandons his prop trip to Washington and announces that he will not accept the chairmanship of the Republican National Committee. FOREIGN.

The Combes Ministry is said to be doomed since the defeat of the Premier in the Chamber by M. Doumer, president of the Budget Committee.

Englishmen mournfully note the decadence of oratory in the House of Commons and the decadence of that body's reputation as the best club in the world. Relics of the old Lyceum Theater in London are sold at public auction for re-

markably low prices. Joseph Chamberlain is the lion of Cairo society, dinners and dances in his honor being given almost every evening.

The carriage of the Princess of Wales collided with a bicyclist, who was not tojured, but his machine was broken. Le received a present of a splendid new machine from the Princess. Important live-pigeon shooting at Monte

Carlo attracts sportsmen from the Ri-The Emperor of Germany orders an au-

tomobile just like King Edward's. Smart women of Paris are wearing small, close-fitting bonnets this season. The monorail may save Lendon's traffic problem, several schemes being now under consideration.

Marine Intelligence New York, March 5 .- Arrived: Pringessin

Victoria Larise, Nassau; New York, Southampton; Lucania, Liverpool; Ethiopian, New York, March 5.-Salled: Etruria,

Liverpool; St. Louis, Southampton, via Plymouth and Cherbourg; Marquette, London; Kalser Wilhelm der Grosse, Bremen, via Plymouth and Cherbourg; Numidian Glasgow; Finland, Antwerp.

Rotterdam, March 5.—Salled: Noordam

New York. Antwerp, March 5 .- Sailed: Kroonland March 2.-Sailed: Norge, Copenhagen,

New York Genoa, March Napoli, New York, St. Michaels, March 4.—Arrived: Ro-

manio, Boeton, for Mediterranean ports. Glasgow, March 5.-Arrived: Sarmatian, Glasgow, March 4-Sailed: Sardintan

Liverpool, March 4.-Sailed: Umbris March 5.-Sailed: St. Southampton.

Paul, New York, via Cherbourg. Kinsale, March 5.-Passed: Cevic, New York, for Liverpool

Yokohama, March 4.-Arrived: Indrasamha, Portland, Ore., for Hong-Kong; before 5th, Gaelic, San Francisco, via Honolulu, for Hong-Kong; Kaga Maru, Seattle, for Hong-Kong. Hong-Kong, March 5.-Arrived (previous

ly): Peleus, Vancouver, via Yokohama; Trement, Tacoma, via Yokohama, for Manila; Victoria, Tacoma, via Yoko-Boulegne, March 5.-Sailed: Noordan

(from Rotterdam), New York. Cherbourg, March 5.—Salled: St. Paul (from Southampton), New York, Liverpool, March 5.-Sailed: Sardinia

(from Glasgow), Boston. Liverpool, March 5.-Arrived; Campania

Havre, March 5-Arrived: La Bretagne, from New York, New York, March 5.-Arrived: Pretoria from Hamburg.

Analyze Conl and Lignites. Washington, March 5 .- At the request of

Director Walcott of the United States Geological Survey, the Secretary of the Interfor to-day sent to Congress a de-ficiency appropriation of 500,000 for analy-zation and testing of coal and lignites at the St. Louis Louisiana Purchase Exper-tion.

To Make Funds Available. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Washington, March 5.-Senator Quay of Pennsylvania to-day introduced a bill to make available the \$50,000 appropriated last year for a public building at Okia-homa City, and to authorize the Secre-tory of the Treasury to purchase a build-ing site therewith. Also a bill to provide for the holding of court at Wetumke, I. T.

Favors Construction of Bridge, REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Washington, March 5.-The House Cor mittee on Railroads to-day reported fa-yorably the Vandiver bill, which provides for the construction of a bridge across the St. Francis River near the North Arkansas boundary line. The Paragould and Mem-phis Railroad Company will construct the bridge.

To Survey Copper Fields. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Washington, March 5. - Representative Lamar of Missouri to-day called at the Lainer of anseour to day called at the United States Geological Survey Bureau to urge a survey of the copper delds of Shannon County in his district. While Mr. Lamar did not recoive a definite assurance, he has been promised early consideration of his request, and has reasonable grounds for expecting it will be granted.

TEN RED CROSS NURSES LEAVE FOR THE FAR EAST TO CARE FOR WOUNDED.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL, Philadelphia, Pa., March 5.-Aroused by the stirring conflict in the far East and fired with a spirit of enthusiasm in their noble profession, ten nurses, all veterans of the Spanish-American War, left Philadelphia yesterday from Japan, there to de-

younded in battle of both armies. The party, composed of volunteers only, was under the guidance and leadership of Doctor Anita McComb McGee who tendered her services together with those of her companions without hope of remuneration.

The party consisted of Misses Ella V. King, Minnie Cook, Adelaide Mackeroth, Elizabeth Kratz, Adele Neeb, all of this city; Miss Sophia Newall of New Jersey, Miss Genevieve Russell of New York City, Miss May Gladwin of Boston and Miss Alice Kemmer of Indiana.

They will go from this city to Seattle Wash., where they will embark on the Japaneses mail steamer Iyo Maru, which leaves at noon on Wednesday, March 9, and arrives at Yokohama March 25.

HARBIN THINKS JAPANESE HAVE PORT ARTHUR MINED AND MAY BLOW UP CITY.

Paris, March 5.-Telegraphing from Harbin, a correspondent of the Matin says a special staff of officers has been started for Lake Baikal to meet General Kuro-

The Central Telegraph office at Harbin will henceforth be closed to the public. The concentration of Chinese forces west of Mukden arouses suspicion, in spite

of the repeated declarations of China's neutrality. Cossacks are advancing into Korea where the attitude of the natives toward

them is variable. Color of Catsujire and five other Japaiese officers who were arrested in Korea have been taken to Liao-Yang.

The people at Harbin believe that Port Arthur was mined a long time ago by the Japanese, who are now trying to send there a few men who know the place well to blow it up.

The Russian cruisers Bayan and Diana received only slight injuries during the recent engagements with the Japanese. Vice Admiral Makaroff has arrived at Port Arthur, where he was given a great reception.

reception. Quoting from a correspondent who wrote to him from Port Arthur under date of February 17, the correspondent of the Matin says that General Stoessel, commander at Port Arthur, had issued a general order blaming officers who wasted their precious time in useless criticism of their superiors and threatening those who did so with severe punishment.

A letter from Dainy dated February 18 brings the statement that the population had been reduced from 1.500 to 1,000. Seven burdred men were sick in hospitals and would shortly be moved to the north. All the buys in the vicinity of Dainy were still ice-bound.

RUSSIANS FLED FROM THEIR NATIVE LAND TO ESCAPE MILITARY DUTY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Wilkesbarren Pa., March 5.-A crowd of Russians arrived here to-day, having fled from Russia to evade military service. They say hundreds of others have escaped. Most of these men are of the peasant class and, when they heard that war had been declared, they did not stay to pack their belongings, but got out as quickly as they could.

There were only two or three vallees in the crowd. They had difficulty in getting out of the country, and were twice arrested and locked up by soldlers and es-

caped by promising to return home The spokesman of the party said nearly all the available young men are being enlisted, and that all the people feel that will try to get work in the mines here.

DECLARE ONE RUSSIAN AND ONE JAPANESE SHIP WERE SUNK IN FIGHT

PECIAL BY CABLE TO THE NEW YORK
HERALD AND THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC London, March 5.-A dispatch from Shanghai to the Chronicle says: "A missionary who has arrived from Teng-Char reports that on February 25 twenty-eight Japanese sailors landed there and said that their vessel had sunk between Por Arthur and the Miao Tau Islands, after an engagement with a Russian warship which was also sunk, the Japanese ship sinking later.

"Two hundred of their men were rescued by Chinese junks. The remainder of the crew reached the islands and the main-They declared that no Russians were saxed. The Chinese Magistrate gave the sailors money to reach Chefoo."

PERSISTENT RUMORS THAT LAMSDORFF HAS REPEATED REQUEST FOR RETIREMENT.

Paris, March 5 .- Telegraphing from St Petersburg, a correspondent of the Matin says that rumors that Foreign Minister Lamsdorff has repeated his request for retirement are persistently current in high circles. M. Muravieff, Minister of Justice, and M. Izvolsky, Russian Minister to Den mark, are mentioned as possible successors to Lamsdorff.

JAPS HAVE 100,000 MEN IN KOREA, READY FOR A **GREAT FORWARD MOVEMENT**

SPECIAL BY CABLE. London, March 5.-A Vladivostok dis putch to-day, indicating that the Japanese army in Korea is now ready to make its first great movement upon the Russian forces near the Manchurian border, says the Japanese now have 100,000 troops in Northern Korea.

The greater part of this force was landed this week, according to the dispatch. The troops debarked from forty trans

A DR.'5 FOOD

Found a Food That Lifted Him Out of Trouble.

The food experience of a doctor experimenting with himself is worth knowing. He says:

"I had acid dyspepsia since I have any knowledge, from 8 years old, I know.
"It worked down from stomach to intestines, locating at the umbilicus in entertita, until six years ago the agony every few days was something terrible. I have walked the floor for hours, unable to eat or digest if I should eat.
"Medicine would not relieve me at all. Four years ago I began the use of Grape-Nuts, and since the first dish I have never had an attack of the old trouble. I take four tablespoonfuls once a day with my supper, which is composed only of whole wheat bread and the Grape-Nuts,
"The wonderful part of my case is that I have never had an attack or even any of the dreadful symptoms since the very first meal of Grape-Nuts. Most of my patients know how suddenly and promptly Grape-Nuts cured me, and I have precribed the food with good results in many cases," Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Grape-Nuts is regularly prescribed in place of medicine by many physicians for stomach or intestinal trouble, lack of nourishment, brain-fag and nervous prostration. The result usually shows immediate improvement and a speedy, complete cure.

Ten days' trial of Grape-Nuts in place of starchy foods works wondera "There's a reason." Look in each pkg. for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville." nece in their navy," said an American

White Goods.

Special for Monday-We will place on sale cases Mill Ends, the finest grad White Goods; worth up to the yard; your choice Monday. 10C 25c, 15c, 1214c and

worth 75c and \$1.00-while

they last, to-morrow, at

worth up to 49c, to-morrow

Bustles and Pads-Odds and ends,

CHINA MATTINGS, worth 25c a yard.

CHINA MATTINGS, worth 35c a yard,

LINOLEUM, heavy grade, worth 65c a

BRUSSELS RUGS, size 9x12. \$8.25 worth \$15.00 Monday.

VELVET RUGS, size 104/2x12, \$15.00 worth \$22.50, Monday.....

LACE CURTAINS, worth \$2.25 a pair.

ROPE PORTIERES, all colors, 986

Colored Dress Goods.

Monday's Special

An elegant assortment of bright colors in Tartan tufts and Scotch plaids for children's drosses, the 15c quality, Monday only at, the yard. 7 1/2 0

30 pieces black Mercerized Jacquards-very seasonable suitings—in the newest figures and motifs—an excellent 25c value, Monday's special price. 150

15 pieces of the latest arrivals of Scotch Novelty Suitings and Halifax Tweeds, 52 inches wide, the regular \$1.00 quality, Monday's special price. 750

Photo Dep't.

Our Photo Studio is getting busier every day. The people of St. Louis are beginning to find out that ours is the only studio where they can get high-class work at prices little above actual cost. The greatest bargain we are now offering is our beautiful

Royal Photos at 50c per doz.

Come at once, while these advertising prices last.

TICKING.

10c

striped Ticking.

RUGS.

39c

LACE CURTAINS, worth \$3.00 a

LACE CURTAINS, worth 75c.

worth \$2.00, Monday,

Monday,

a pair.

LACE CURTAINS, 31/2 yards

Unparalleled Sale

We just purchased from one of the leading jobbers and importers of the coun-

try about 1,500 rolls of China and Japanese Mattings, all high-class goods, in all

colors; carpet patterns, inlaid white, plain white and neat stripe effects, at about

40c on the dollar. Mattings come from Japan and China, and as that is the seat

of the crisis in the far East, you will be surprised at the prices at which we offer

these Mattings; at the present time Mattings have advanced from 12c to 2c a

yard; so, if you are in need of anything in the Matting line, bring the measure of your rooms Monday. NOTE THE PRICES:

Great Snap in Lace Curtains.

10c

. 15c

39c

.....49c

980

\$1,49

Pillow Cases.

10c full-size Pil-low Cases,

7½c

Flannel.

25c white wool Flannel, 27 inches wide, per yard,

121/2C

Toweling.

21/2C

Sateen.

Mercerized Sat een, in all colors good quality,

9c

Bedspreads.

75c white hem-med crochet Bed

59c

Lining.

2c

Table Linens.

25c Turkey Red Table Linen. from 2 to 3 o'-clock.

12½c

Slippers.

35c Ladies' Velvet and fancy house

10c

Mettled Flannel

Heavy quality, worth loc, in base-

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Comforts.

160 full-size mis match Comforts

87c

Wool Blankets.

Cotton Biankets.

39c

PILLOW CASES.

10c

Woods & Stat

We are always on the ALERT to improve our BUSI-NESS. It is our PLAN to give PATRONS the very best at PRICES so attractive, as are the goods. Regular and careful study of our business announcements WILL SAVE YOU MANY DOLLARS.

Muslin Underwear. Women's Muslin Drawers, finished with cluster of tucks and 2-inch hem, worth 35c, to-morrow (One pair to a customer.) Corset Covers-We will place on sale a lot of slightly solled Corset Covers

of Mattings.

JAPANESE MATTINGS, carpet

JAPANESE MATTINGS, linen worth 55c a yard, Monday, a yard.

LACE CURTAINS, worth \$3.50 a

LACE CURTAINS, worth \$4.69 Monday, a pair.....

LACE CURTAINS, worth 34.50 Monday.

LACE CURTAINS, worth \$5.00 Monday.

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43c " Shirt

First Floor.

Satisfied (Two-Step)...... Satisfied (Song)..... Northern Lights Waltz... Burning of the Iroquols...

Lot of Odds and Ends, popular music, good condition.....

SHEETING.

10c

LINOLEUM, 2 yards, 2½ yards and yards wide, worth 50c a yard, 40 Monday, a yard. 40

terns, worth 40c a yard, Monday, a yard......

ST. LOUIS' CHEAPEST STORE. Broadway and Franklin Ave.

Clothing.

You Can't Beat This.

Black Goods, Silks

.....11e

Percale.

A large assort-ment of patterns of vd.-wide 125c bookfold dark Percale, will go Monday.

7½c

Apron Gingham.

One case of dif-ferent colors and checks of Apron Gingham, the 6/10

Бc

Dark Calico.

Remnants of dark

alico on sale as

2½c

Chambray.

worth 10c, for

41/2C

Lawns.

10c and 125c quality of Lawns, in different designs, for

Бс

Hose.

Ladies' and Children's fast black seamless Hose, well made, worth 15c, in basement, while they last,

5c

Scarfs and

Shams.

5c

Underwear.

5c

\$1.50 Skirt Patterns.....

20-inch Taffeta (all colors).....

Men's \$4.00 Pants, large Men's \$2.00 Pants 98c Boys' \$4.00 Snits, medium and heavy weight, double-breasted and Norfolks Boys' 35c Knee Pants 18c Boys' 35c Waists 18c

Millinery.

Embroideries

At Half Price Monday.

To-morrow's great Lace and Embroidery Sale. The

greatest sale ever known, Come early and avoid the rush.

21/20

EMBROIDERIES-7%c Em

EMBROIDERIES-121/2c Em-

plique Embroideries with In

EMBROIDERIES - 35c and

EMBROIDERIES - 25c

broideries and In-sertions for......

broideries and In-sertions for.....

sertion to match

50c Guipure Em-broideries for.....

To start the season, we will display to-morrow some of the smartest things made in 200-yard spools; 8:30 2126 this line.

We will also include in this opening sale 15 dozen Black Hat Silk Shapes, made on wire frames, nicely tucked; all you need is a bunch of flowers and you will have a Hat for early wear; they are worth \$1.50, but will be sold Monday at.

LACES - 25c Valenciennes and Oriental Laces, in the

ACES — 35c Gallous Straight and floral designs, 71/29

LACES - 50c Serpentine Point de Paris Laces, we up to 50c, Mon-day for.....

Children's Jackets.

Bargains.

Coats' Thread-

Ibe Scissors 50

Sc Hose .Sup-

Silk Twist, 10-yard spuols, assorted 56 colors, per 56

colors, per dozen

...25c

\$3.98

Worth \$17.50, Monday \$11.75 Children's lightweight spring Jacktrimmed with braid sizes from 1 to 6 years; Monday at

...\$1.98 Children's \$2,25 Dresses. \$2,49 Children's percale and gingham Dresse \$2.98

Unprecedented Bargains in

Goods. Scarfs a new style; made of cream-colored sateen; worth 58c each

Fancy

to intro-Scarfe: full length: bave wide laceins'rting near edge: nice-******************* ly hemstitch-ed; worth like; will goat. 196

SHEETS.

35c

Sheet Music. Mail Orders Filled Write for Catalogue 15C .5c

MUSLIN.

Shams to matchworth 30c; will go at 19c Fleisher's Shetland Floss -White; regular price

A full half million rolls of Wall Paper are included in this March Sale; handsome Papers are selling at prices Monday that will astonish you. Our 5c. and 8c Paper

Our 30c and 25c 30-inch Ingrain 10c per skein; 50 We Hang Paper at Low Prices,

MUSLIN.

5c 10c 121/2C llc

DRESS GOODS.

Бс

heavy reed body, rubber-tire wheels; nicely upholstered, with slik ruffie

Our American Re cliner; strong body; nicely upholstered in any color, with parasol to match: 35 value— \$6.98 GO-CART - Fine

SHEETS.

25c

Men's ribbed fleece Underwear, well made, worth 39c: in the base-ment, while they last, Wrappers.

121/20

Tic Ladies' Wrap-pers, all sizes, in basement, for 39c Dressing

Sacques. 50c Ladies' Dress-ing Sacques, neat-ly made; in base-ment for 35c

RUSSIAN OFFICER DESCRIBES FIRST JAPANESE ATTACK ON PORT ARTHUR.

St. Petersburg, March 5-A letter from signaled that the lights were not under an officer of the Russian cruiser Pallada has been received here describing the first attack by the Japanese on Port Arthur. The writer denies the story that the officers of the Russian fleet were ashore and confirms the statement that the Japanese

made use of false lights. He asserts that at 11 o'clock at night a practical drill to repel a torpedo attack was executed and that toward midnight four Russian torpedo boats, which simulated the enemy, headed back toward Dalny, from which place they had come. The crews of the fleet had retired, only the watch remaining on deck,

The ships were in the outer harbor and the captain of the Pallada, which vessel occupied the advance position, had descended from the bridge for a last look around before going below, when he perceived lights advancing. The ships' lights shown were white above red-being those Russian warships when they enter the harbor. The captain of the Pallada supposed the approaching vessels, were the Russian torpedo boats returning from Dainy and his suspicions were only aroused when upon drawing nearer they covered and uncovered their lights at irregular intervals. The signal tower

fleet, it is believed, comprised the Port

Arthur squadron and may explain its whereabouts since the time the bombard-

ments of Port Arthur ceased, about a

CZAR PROMISES TO GUARD

INTERESTS OF AMERICANS

St. Petersburg, March 5.-In answer to

representations made by Ambussador Me-Cormick in regard to the American gold

miners at Un San, Korea, the authorities have assured the Ambassador that the

Russian soldiers will afford them every

It is possible that the authorities wi

arrange to give Lieutenant Newton A.

McCully, the United States Naval At-

the Russian squadron. He will come here

attaches will proceed with similar facili-

CONTRIBUTE TO SUCCESS

Washington, March 5.- "American

OF JAPANESE VESSELS.

SAYS AMERICAN GUNNERS

protection.

ties about April 1.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

IN KOREAN GOLD MINES.

and western coast of Korea.

At this moment the Pallada's Captain. through the thick night, made out the outlines of the torpedo-boat destroyer smoke tacks in pairs, amidships, As the stacks of the Russian destroyers are in line fore and aft, the crews of the Russian ships were instantly called to quar

In less than three minutes the Pallada's men were at their posts, orders were given that the guns be charged with grape and a flerce fire was opened on the oncoming Japanese. The battleships Czarevitch and Retvizan, which were in the first line, a short distance astern of the Pallada, also opened fire almost immediately.

A terrific explosion occurred under the hull of the Pallada, raising a torrent of water which submerged the cruiser's deck, but did not stop her firing and maneuvering, which now, however, were complicated by the measures taken to close a breach amidships, below the water line, made by the explosion of the torpedo. Soon afterwards two other torpedoes ex ploded almost simultaneously, one under the bow of the Retvizan and the other under the stern of the Czurevitch. This double explosion ended the attack, the Japanese vessels retiring at full speed.

ports at various points along the eastern | cavalry officer who has recently returned from fighting the Moros down in Minda The transports were convoyed by the entire Japanese fleet of warships. This "On the way home from the Philippine

we stopped over at Nagasaki. That was before the outbreak of the war, but the struggle was anticipated and everything denoted activity of preparation. The number of American gunners in the Japanese Navy surprised me. "I saw plenty of evidence of it with my own eyes, and I am satisfied that is the reason the Japanese squadron has been

able to make so good a showing. More than this, I expect the navy of the Japanese to continue to make a good showing throughout the war, because of the wellknown ability of American gunners, whose efficiency has been shown in repeated

STEAMER SERVICE RESUMED TO CHEMULPO WITHOUT ANY PROTECTION FOR VESSELS.

tache with the Russian Navy, special facilities over the Siberian Railway to join SPECIAL BY CABLE TO THE NEW YORK HERALD AND THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC immediately from London. The military Seoul, March 5, 10:15 p. m .- (Copyright, 1904.)—The Japanese Steamship Company of the Osalti Line has resumed passenger service between Kobe and Chemulpo. Its first steamer, the Chikugo Gawa Maru, arirved at Chemulpe to-day, carrying for eigners among her passengers, including Americans of both sexes, in addition to Japanese.

A reference to the map showing the proximity of Port Arthur, the great Rus-cian Asiatic naval base, to Chemulpo pers are unquestionably siding the Japa- cian Asiatic naval base, to shows, evan to the uninformed, the really

OUR FIRST ANNIVERSARY

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conderful success which the Japanese now have won by cleaning both the Sea of Japan and the Yellow Sea of the enor Japan and the Yellow Sea of the en-emy who twenty days ago unhesitatingly claimed naval superiority. To-day Japanese steamers sail both seas unprotected by accompanying warships. The resumption of commercial intercourse is necessarily incomplete, because the Japanese Government has chartered many transports, and therefore steamers are scarce.

Appointed Transportation Agent. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Washington, March 5.—Sydney E. Paterson of White City, Kas., has been appointed transportation agent at Fort Leavenworth.

JAPS PUT LIGHTS ON RAFTS AND TRAP RUSSIANS INTO WASTING MUCH AMMUNITION

SPECIAL BY CABLE TO THE NEW YORK HERALD AND THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC. Chefoo. March 5, 3:55 p. m.—(Copyright, 1943)—On Wednesday at midnight the forts at Port Arthur sighted approaching the entrance many lights followed by firing. The forts immediately retaliated, and after an hour found that the lights were merely lamps attached to the masts of lumber raffs.

From Japanese sources, it is reported, the rafts were dispatched from the Labithe Shan-lighthouse with the idea of making the forts waste their ammunition. The firing was from two passing tor-

pedo boats, which towed the rafts to at-track the attention of the enemy. RUSSIANS WILL TAKE COAL

AT SEA ON TRIP TO EAST **USING AMERICAN INVENTION**

New York, March 5.—A rush order has been placed with an American firm for apparatus used in coaling warships at sea. It is expected that the forty-five Russian vessels in home waters will be in position by June to proceed, if necessary, to far Eastern stations, taking with them the American invention, which will enable the war vessels to proceed without running afoul of the regulations at neutral ports regarding coal.